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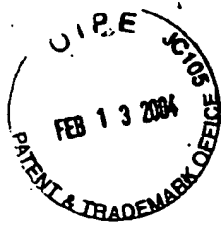
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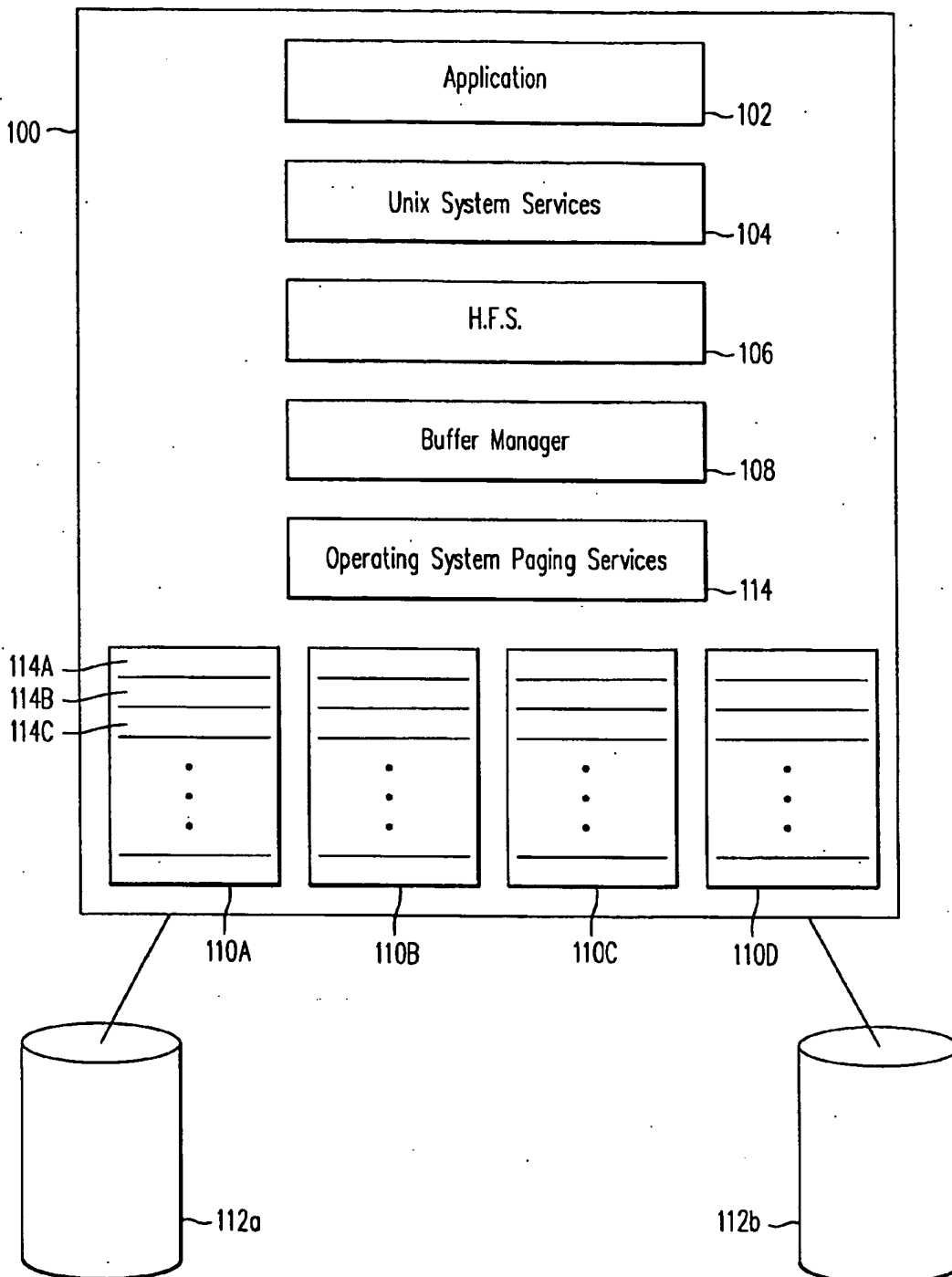


FIG. 1a

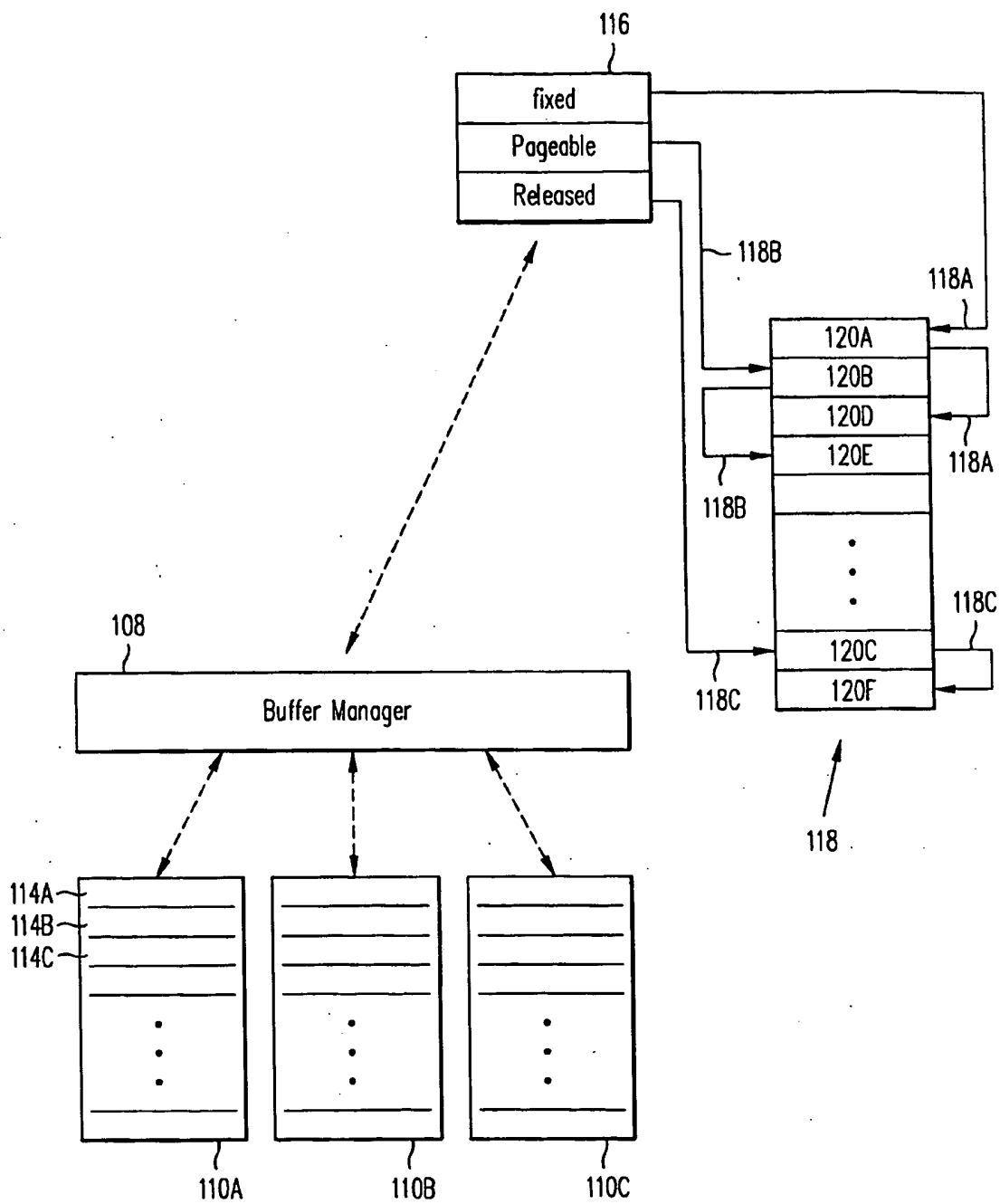


FIG. 1b

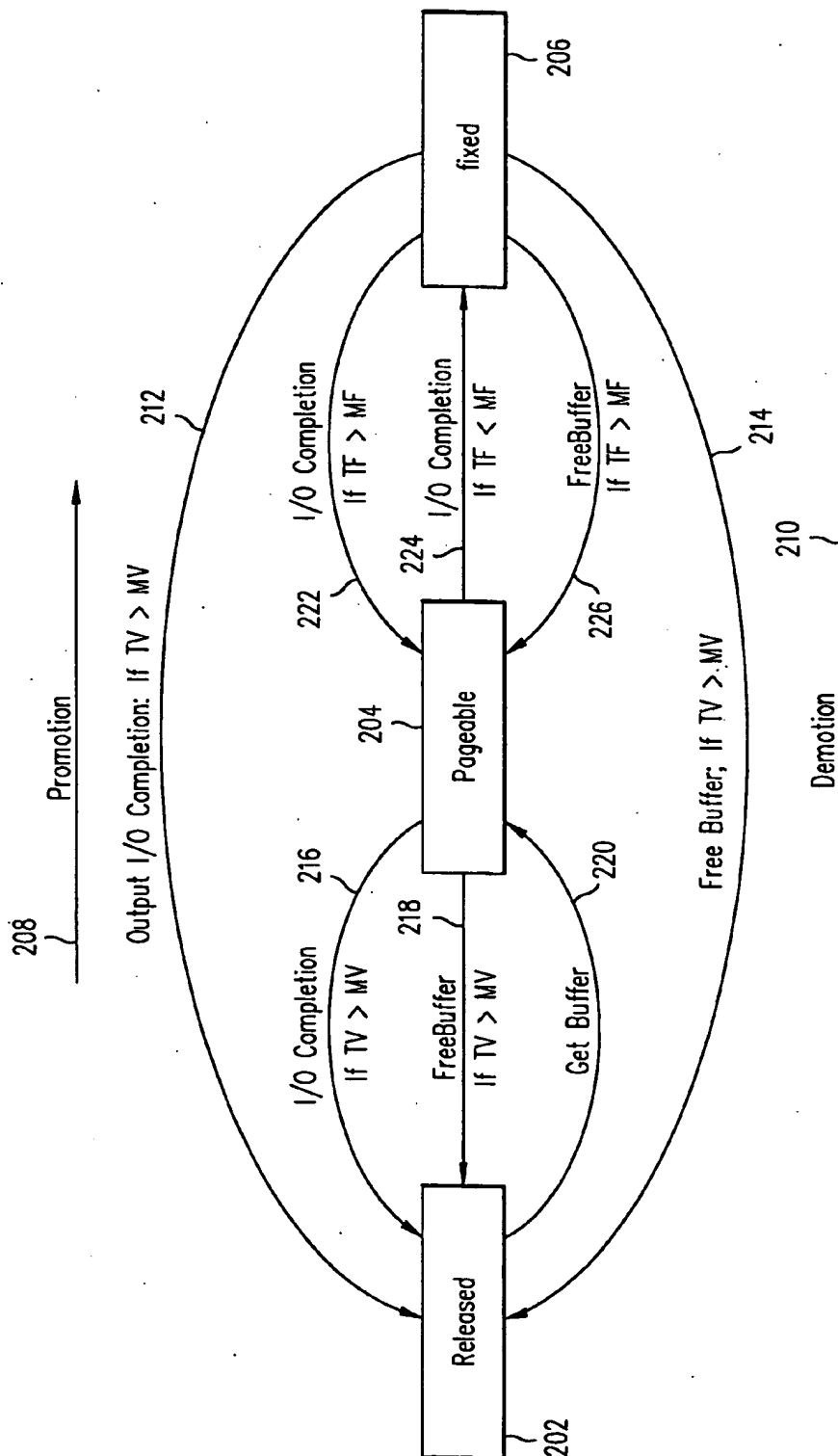


FIG. 2